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SUBJ: MAKARIOS ANNOUNCES NEW CABINET

1. CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS CABINET WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: MINISTER OF FINANCE - ANDREAS PATSIDALIDES; MINISTER OF EDUCATION - ANDREAS MIKELLIDES; MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS - IOANNIS CHRISTOFIDES; MINISTER OF INTERIOR - CHRIS VENIAMIN; MINISTER OF COMMERCE - MICHAEL COLOCASSIDES; MINISTER OF JUSTICE - GEORGE IOANNIDES; MINISTER OF LABOR - MARCOS SPANOS; MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE - FRIXOS KOLOKAS; MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS - GEORGE TOMBAZOS; MINISTER OF HEALTH - VACANT.

2. COMMENT: MAKARIOS' NEW CABINET CONTAINS MEN OF PROVEN LOYALTY IN KEY POSITIONS (CHRISTOFIDES, VENIAMIN, IOANNIDES, TOMBAZOS, SPANOS). CONTRARY TO SPECULATION OVER RECENT WEEKS, IT DOES NOT INCLUDE REPRESENTATION OF CYPRUS COMMUNIST PARTY (AKEL) OR LYSSARIDES' PARTY (EDEK). IT DOES NOT INCLUDE FIGURES CONSIDERED CLOSE TO GLAFKOS CLERIDES. LIKEWISE IT OMITTS NICOS KOSHIS, WHO
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IS NOT ONLY A CLERIDES MAN BUT IS ALSO IDENTIFIED WITH THE RIGHT-

IST CAMP. IN THIS SENSE, THEN, MAKARIOS' CABINET CAUTIOUSLY
AVOIDS COMMITMENT TO THE EXTREMES, AND STRESSES RESPONSIVENESS
TO MAKARIOS HIMSELF RATHER THAN REPRESENTATION OF A BROAD
SPECTRUM OF CYPRIOT POLITICAL SENTIMENT.
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